

but had been given before and said district township of Cooper had been organized by an election of a board of Directors:

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That the acts of the board of directors of the independent district of Fort Dodge, in the county of Webster, in setting off the district township of Cooper, in the county of Webster, and fixing the boundaries thereof, and the election of the board of directors in said district township of Cooper, so set off, be and the same are hereby legalized and made of the same force and effect as if said notice had been duly given five days prior to said election. *Provided*, this act shall not effect any actions now pending, but the rights of all parties to said pending actions are hereby expressly reserved.

Acts of board of directors of Ft. Dodge Tp. legalized.
Election of directors in dist. tp. of Cooper legalized.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, and the Fort Dodge Messenger, a newspaper published at Fort Dodge, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Publication.

Approved, March 25, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Fort Dodge Messenger*, April 5, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 110.

LEASING CONVICT LABOR.

AN ACT to Repeal Chapter 35, of the Private, Local and Temporary Acts of the Fifteenth General Assembly, and Chapter 97, of the Acts of the Sixteenth General Assembly, and to Provide for the Leasing [of] the Convict Labor of the State. S. F. 320.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That chapter 35, of the private, local and temporary acts of the fifteenth general assembly, and chapter 97 of the acts of the sixteenth general assembly be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Chapter 35, P. L. and T. 15th G. A., and Chapter 97, 16th G. A. repealed.

SEC. 2. The warden of the Iowa penitentiary at Ft. Madison, shall have power to make contracts for labor subject to the approval of the executive council, for such time and for such prices as he may deem for the best interest of the state; *Provided*, no contract made by said warden shall be for a longer period than five years.

Warden shall lease convict labor.

Proviso:
Not for longer period than five years.

SEC. 3. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Reg-

Publication.

ister, and Iowa State Leader, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved, March, 25, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register*, March 30, and in the *Iowa State Leader*, April 2, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 111.

TO PREVENT THE PUBLICATION OF FALSE STATEMENTS REGARDING FIRE INSURANCE.

Pub. S. F. 237. AN ACT to prevent the Making and Publication of False or Deceptive Statements in Relation to the Business of Fire Insurance. Additional to Code, Title IX., Chapter 4.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Unlawful for any company or agent to make false statement of assets.

SECTION 1. It shall not be lawful for any company, corporation, association, individual or individuals, now transacting or now or hereafter authorized, under any existing or future laws of this state, to transact the business of fire insurance within this state, to state or represent either by advertisement in any newspaper, magazine, or periodical, or by any sign, circular, card, policy of insurance, or certificate of renewal thereof, or otherwise, any funds or assets to be in possession of any such company, corporation, association, individual or individuals, not actually possessed by such company, corporation, association, individual or individuals and available for the payment of losses by fire, and held for the protection of holders of policies of fire insurance.

Publication of financial standing shall truly exhibit capital, &c.

SEC. 2. Every advertisement or public announcement, and every sign, circular, or card hereafter made or issued by any company, corporation, association, individual or individuals, or any officer, agent, manager or legal representative thereof, now, or hereafter authorized by any existing or future laws of this state to transact the business of fire insurance within this state, which shall purport to make known the financial standing of any such company, corporation, association, individual or individuals, shall exhibit the capital actually paid in, in cash and the amount of net surplus of assets over all liabilities of such company, corporation, association, individual or individuals actually available for the payment of losses by fire and held for the protection of holders of their policies of fire insurance, and shall also exhibit the amount of net surplus of assets over all liabilities in the United States actually available for the payment of losses by fire and held in the United States for the protection of holders of their policies of fire insurance in the United States, including in such liabili-